SUMMARY

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ENTITY City of Auburn

ACTION Petition for Land Annexation

Expiration 45 Days: 08/04/05

TITLE Vorozhko Annexation

Board Meeting: 07/14/05

Location The site is located on the east side of the City of Auburn. The western

boundary of the site abuts the eastern boundary of the City of Auburn at 116^{TH} Avenue SE. The southern boundary of the Vorozhko Annexation is generally formed by SE 323^{rd} Place. The northern boundary is generally formed by SE 322^{nd} Place. The eastern boundary is generally formed by

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117th Avenue SE (if extended).

Land Area Approximately 1 acre (One parcel)

Land Use One single-family home.

Population Approximately 3 persons

Assessed Valuation \$216,000

County Comprehensive

Plan Designation Residential Use

County Zoning R-4 (4-12 dwelling units per gross acre)

City Comprehensive Plan Residential Low-Density

City Zoning Residential – Single-Family Use (4 units per acre)

District Comprehensive Plan City of Auburn Comprehensive Water Plan and & Sewer District Plan

District Franchise No franchise is required.

Urban Growth Area (UGA) The site is located within the Urban Growth Area as identified under the

State Growth Management Act, King County Comprehensive Plan and

City of Auburn Comprehensive Plan

SEPA Declaration The proposed annexation is exempt from SEPA pursuant to RCW

43.21C.222

ENTITIES/AGENCIES NOTIFIED:

King County Council Member(s) Julia Patterson

King County: Clerk of Council, Department of Assessments, Fire Marshal, Health Division, State

Department of Ecology, Puget Sound Regional Council, Municipality of Metropolitan

Seattle (Metro)

Cities: Not Applicable

Fire Districts: King County Fire Protection District No. 44; City of Auburn Fire Department

Water Districts: City of Auburn Water Utilities; Covington Water District; Soos Creek Water &

Sewer District

Sewer Districts: City of Auburn Sewer Utilities; Soos Creek Water & Sewer District

School Districts: Auburn School District No. 408

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The City of Auburn proposes the annexation of approximately one acre of land, known as the Vorozhko Annexation. This annexation was proposed under the 60% petition method, pursuant to RCW 35A.14. Auburn City Council adopted the petition for annexation in April of 2005.

The site is located on the east side of the City of Auburn. The western boundary of the site abuts the eastern boundary of the City of Auburn at 116TH Avenue SE. The southern boundary of the Vorozhko Annexation is generally formed by SE 323rd Place. The northern boundary is generally formed by SE 322nd Place. The eastern boundary is generally formed by 117th Avenue SE (if extended).

The unincorporated area is included in the "Annexation Element" of the City of Auburn Comprehensive Plan and is located within the Auburn Potential Annexation Area. The proposed action is consistent with City of Auburn Comprehensive Plan policies addressing annexation, including those provisions which call for inclusion of urban areas within the City and provision of services to incorporated areas (e.g., CE-2 and CE-3).

The Vorozhko property owners are seeking annexation in order to develop properties under City of Auburn regulations and to receive public services (e.g., sewer services) from Auburn. Presently the area includes one single-family residence. Under City of Auburn regulations, the property could accommodate additional single-family dwellings.

The City of Auburn has planned for growth at this level of urban density and has established standards to guide ongoing uses and new development on the Vorozhko properties following annexation. More specifically, the City of Auburn is prepared to provide development review and environmental review to the annexation area based upon local, regional and state regulations.

The City of Auburn can directly provide (or contract for) urban services to the area. For example, the City of Auburn will provide police services, fire services, and emergency management services to the Vorozhko Area properties. The City will provide water service, sewer service, storm water management, and other basic services. City facilities and recreation facilities would be available to the community. Children would attend schools in Auburn School District No. 408.

The City of Auburn reports that the proposed annexation conforms to the State Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A.) For example, the annexation is supported by RCW 36.70.20, which requires community planning goals, for urban growth, services and infrastructure, and environmental preservation. Additionally, the application reportedly is consistent with RCW 36.70A.020 (1), encouraging development in urban areas where there are adequate public services. It is also consistent with RCW 36.70A.020 (12), which calls for public services to support permitted development. Annexation would also permit development of primary land uses and corollary public services (e.g., roadways) envisioned in the Act. Environmentally sensitive areas would also be preserved under the provisions of this annexation.

Further, the Vorozhko Annexation is reported to be consistent with the King County Comprehensive Plan. Following are examples of King County Comprehensive Plan/Countywide Planning Policies that are addressed by the proposed Vorozhko Annexation:

- <u>FW-13</u>: Cities are the appropriate providers of local urban services to Urban Areas.
- <u>LU-26</u>: Urban growth shall be directed to urban areas where development can be accommodated and served.
- <u>LU-31</u>: The County should identify urban development areas within the Urban Growth Area
- <u>LU-32</u>: The County should encourage cities to annex territory within their designated potential annexation area.

- <u>LU-33</u>: Land within a city's potential annexation area shall be developed according to local and regional growth phasing plans.
- U-203: Population growth should be encouraged in Urban Growth Areas.
- <u>U-204</u>: The County should support annexations that are consistent with Countywide Planning Policies and the State Growth Management Act.
- U-304: Growth should be focused within city boundaries.

The proposed Vorozhko Annexation is reportedly consistent with the provisions of RCW 36.93 (Boundary Review Board Regulations). For example, this annexation would be consistent with Objective 1, which calls for the preservation of neighborhoods. This area is linked to east Auburn geographically and by social fabric (e.g., similar land uses and open spaces, shared sense of community). Similarly, the annexation would be consistent with Objective 2, which calls for the use of physical boundaries to demarcate an annexation area. For Vorozhko, boundaries are formed by physical features, such as roadways.

The Vorozhko Annexation would also be consistent with Objective 3, which calls for creation of logical service areas. Local residents have petitioned for annexation in order that all services and land use regulations affecting their area may be efficiently coordinated by a single local government unit. The City of Auburn is prepared to govern and serve the area.

The proposed annexation is also reportedly consistent with Objectives 4-7, which call for the achievement of reasonable boundaries for a jurisdiction. While the proposed annexation is small in size, the area lies within the Auburn PAA and so this incorporation is consistent with City plans to govern and serve the area. This annexation would also be consistent with Objective 8, which calls for inclusion of urban areas within municipalities.

The City of Auburn has conducted fiscal analyses related to the proposed Vorozhko Annexation. Upon annexation, property owners will assume their share of the regular and special levy rate of the City for capital facilities and public services. The City will have sufficient funds to serve the area at present without a significant impact on cost and adequacy of services, finances, debt structure or rights of other governmental units. Future capital needs and costs will be examined and funded through the Auburn Capital Investment Program.

The City of Auburn supports this annexation in order to serve citizens of the area. New residential development and coordinated services would benefit the greater Auburn community.